



## **HOT DOG TOASTER**



**Model ECT-304**

### **Instruction Manual**

Before operating your new appliance, please read all instructions carefully and keep for future reference.

# IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

Basic safety precautions should always be followed when using electrical appliances, including the following:

1. **Read all instructions before operating this appliance.**
2. Clean all parts before using for the first time
3. Avoid contact with moving parts.
4. Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles and knobs.
5. To protect against electrical shock do not immerse cord, plug or any part of this appliance in water or any other liquid.
6. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used near children.
7. Unplug from outlet when not in use, before removing parts and before cleaning.
8. Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug, or if the appliance has been damaged in any manner. Return the appliance to the nearest authorized service facility for examination, repair, or adjustment.
9. The manufacturer does not recommend the use of accessory attachments. Use of accessory attachments not recommended by the manufacturer may cause injuries.
10. Do not use outdoors.
11. Do not place on or near a hot gas or electric burner, or in a heated oven.
12. Do not attempt to move this appliance while it is operation.
13. Do not use the appliance for other than its intended use.
14. Do not leave the appliance unattended while in operation.
15. Check appliance for presence of foreign objects prior to use.
16. Do not attempt to stick any utensils or other objects into the toaster while appliance is plugged in and or while it is in operation. Doing so will lead to personal injury.
17. Do not try to service the unit or remove hot dogs or buns that are stuck while the unit is plugged in.
18. Do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter or touch hot surfaces.
19. Do not clean the appliance with metal scouring pads. Pieces can break off the pad and touch electrical parts, thereby, increasing the risk of an electrical shock.
20. This appliance is intended for use strictly with regular sized hot dogs and buns. Do not attempt to cook any other food items in this unit.
21. Some countertop and table surfaces such as Corian®, wood and/or laminates are not designed to withstand prolonged heat generated by certain appliances. It is recommended by countertop manufacturers that a hot pad or trivet be placed under your appliance to prevent possible damage to the surface.

**SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS  
THIS PRODUCT IS FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY!**

## SHORT CORD PURPOSE

**NOTE:** A short power cord is provided to reduce the risk of personal injury resulting from becoming entangled in or tripping over a longer cord.

**Longer power-supply cords or extension cords are available and may be used if care is exercised in their use.**

If an extension cord is used: (1) the marked electrical rating of the extension cord should be at least as great as the electrical rating of the product; (2) the extension cord should be arranged so that it will not drape over the countertop or tabletop where it can unintentionally be pulled on or tripped over by children or pets.

## POLARIZED PLUG

If this appliance is equipped with a *polarized plug* (one blade is wider than the other), please follow the below instructions:

To reduce the risk of electrical shock, this plug is intended to fit into a polarized outlet only one way. If you are unable to fit the plug into the electrical outlet, try reversing the plug. If the plug still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician. Never use the plug with an extension cord unless the plug can be fully inserted into the extension cord. Do not alter the plug of the product or any extension cord being used with this product. Do not attempt to defeat the safety purpose of the polarized plug.

## PARTS & FEATURES

- TOASTER
- HOT DOG HOLDER BASKET
- TONGS
- CRUMB TRAY

## FEATURES

- 5 different adjustable heat settings.
- Hidden cord storage: the cord neatly tucks away and out of sight underneath the toaster.
- “Stop” feature that allows you to interrupt the cooking process.

## BEFORE FIRST USE

- Wash the Hot Dog Basket, Tongs, and Crumb Tray and clean the Hot Dog Toaster before using for the first time. (See “CLEANING & MAINTENANCE SECTION” for instructions)
- **DO NOT IMMERSE THE TOASTER IN WATER OR ANY OTHER LIQUID.**
- Ensure that the unit is unplugged from the electrical outlet and that the parts are completely cool, before cleaning.
- When using your unit for the first time, you may notice some smoke and odor. This is caused by the unit burning off the protective coating applied during the manufacturing process. It is normal and harmless and will go away with subsequent use. If the odor and smoke persist, discontinue use of the product immediately and contact customer service.

## HOW TO USE

**NOTE:** Ensure that the Hot Dog Toaster is placed atop a stable, flat, heat-resistant surface where the appliance won't easily tip over or fall.

1. Ensure all parts are clean and thoroughly dry.
2. Insert two regular sized hot dogs into the Hot Dog Basket and place the basket into the middle slot on the toaster.
3. Take two regular sized sets of hot dog buns, open them up and insert them into the outer slots on the toaster.
4. Plug the power cord into a standard 120 V outlet.
5. Turn the knob to the desired heat setting.
6. Push the lever found on top of the selector knob down until it locks into place to initiate the cooking process.

**NOTE:** If you wish to interrupt or cancel the cooking process, simply press the "STOP" button found next to the selector knob.

7. The hot dog basket along with the buns will pop up when the cooking process has ended.
8. Unplug the unit from the electrical outlet and allow it cool. Carefully remove the hot dogs and buns using the tongs provided.

**CAUTION:** TO PREVENT PERSONAL INJURY, DO NOT ATTEMPT TO REMOVE THE HOT DOGS OR HOT DOG BUNS WHILE THE UNIT IS IN USE, HOT, OR PLUGGED INTO THE ELECTRICAL OUTLET.

9. After all parts have cooled, clean the toaster, hot dog basket, tongs, and crumb tray. (See "CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE" section for instructions)
10. Dry all parts thoroughly before storing the unit. Store the unit in a cool dry place.

## TIPS

- Use only regular sized hot dogs and hot dog buns.
- DO NOT use Jumbo hot dogs or oversized buns as they will expand while cooking and get stuck.
- Adjust the heat selector knob according to the kind of buns and hot dogs used—some may require more time to cook.
- For better results, keep hot dogs and buns at room temperature before cooking them in the toaster.
- Regularly clean the Hot Dog Basket and Crumb Tray.

## HOW TO USE (CONT.)

### WARNING

- SMOKING MAY BE CAUSED BY EXCESS CRUMBS AND PIECES OF HOT DOG STUCK INSIDE THE MACHINE. REGULARLY CLEAN THE HOT DOG BASKET AND CRUMB TRAY TO PREVENT SMOKING.
- DO NOT TRY TO PUT ON OR TAKE OFF ANY PARTS WHILE THE UNIT IS PLUGGED INTO THE ELECTRICAL OUTLET OR WHILE IN USE.
- DO NOT OPERATE THE UNIT NEAR WATER OR WHILE IT IS WET!

## CLEANING & MAINTENANCE

**CAUTION:** NEVER soak the entire toaster in water or any other liquid as this could lead to personal injury. DO NOT use abrasive cleaners or detergents. DO NOT use metal utensils or scouring pads to clean any part of the Hot Dog Toaster; pieces can break off the pad and touch electrical parts, thereby, increasing the risk of an electrical shock. DO NOT clean the toaster while it is still plugged into the outlet or while still in operation.

- Make sure the power cord is unplugged and that all parts have completely cooled before disassembling the unit for cleaning.
- Remove the crumb tray only after the unit has been shut off, unplugged from the outlet, and has completely cooled.
- **DO NOT CLEAN ANY PART OF THIS UNIT IN A DISHWASHER.**
- Use a slightly wet sponge or cloth to clean the exterior of the Toaster.
- Carefully wash the Hot Dog Holder Basket, Tongs, and Crumb Tray using warm soapy water.
- Dry all parts thoroughly before reassembling for use or storing.

### TIPS

- Regularly remove crumbs from the Crumb Tray.
- Make sure at least one hot dog and one set of hot dog buns are in the Toaster before operating.
- Always use the tongs provided to remove the hot dogs and buns.
- Unplug the unit from the electrical outlet when it is not in use.

**LIMITED WARRANTY\* ONE (1) YEAR**  
**WARRANTY IS ONLY VALID WITH A DATED PROOF OF PURCHASE**

1. Your small kitchen appliance is built with precision, inspected and tested before leaving our factory.
2. It is warranted, to the original purchaser to be free from any manufacturing defects under normal use and conditions for one (1) year, cord excluded. This Warranty applies only to the original purchaser of this product.
3. If you need to exchange the unit, please return it in its original carton, with a sales receipt, to the store where you purchased it. If you are past the store's allowed return policy period, please see the enclosed Warranty.
4. If you use your appliance for household use and according to instructions, it should give you years of satisfactory service.
5. During the one-year warranty period, a product with a defect will be either repaired or replaced with a new or reconditioned comparable model (at our option) when the product is returned to our Service Center. (See the "Returns" section below).
6. The repaired or replacement product will be in warranty for the remaining balance of the one-year warranty period and an additional one-month period.
7. **This limited warranty covers appliances purchased and used within the 50 contiguous states plus the District of Columbia and does NOT cover:**
  - Damages caused by unreasonable use, neglect, normal wear and tear, commercial use, improper assembly or installation of product.
  - Damages caused in shipping.
  - Damages caused by replacement or resetting of house fuses or circuit breakers.
  - Defects other than manufacturing defects.
  - Breakage caused by misuse, abuse, accident, alteration, lack of proper care and maintenance, or incorrect current or voltage.
  - Lost or missing parts of the product. Parts will need to be purchased separately.
  - Damages of parts that are not electrical; for example: cracked or broken plastic or glass.
  - Damage from service or repair by unauthorized personnel.
  - Extended warranties purchased via a separate company or reseller.
  - Consumer's remorse is not an acceptable reason to return a product to our Service Center.

**\*One Year Limited Warranty valid only in the 50 contiguous states plus the District of Columbia, excluding Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.**

This warranty is effective only if the product is purchased and operated in the USA; product usage which is in violation of the written instructions provided with the unit will void this warranty.

For international warranty, please contact the local distributor.

**\*\*Any instruction or policy included in this manual may be subject to change at any time.**

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## **RETURN INSTRUCTIONS**

### **RETURNS:**

A. Any return of defective merchandise to the manufacturer must be processed accordingly by first contacting customer service (contact information shown below) to obtain an RA # (Return Authorization Number). We will not accept any returns of merchandise without an applicable RA #.

B. IMPORTANT RETURN INSTRUCTIONS. Your Warranty depends on your following these instructions if you are returning the unit to Maxi-Matic USA:

1. Carefully pack the item in its original carton or other suitable box to avoid damage in shipping.
2. Before packing your unit for return, be sure to enclose:
  - a) Your name, full address with zip code, daytime telephone number, and RA#,
  - b) A dated sales receipt or PROOF OF PURCHASE,
  - c) The model number of the unit and the problem you are having (Enclose in an envelope and tape directly to the unit before the box is sealed,) and
  - d) Any parts or accessories related to the problem.
3. Maxi-Matic USA recommends you ship the package U.P.S ground service for tracking purposes. We cannot assume responsibility for lost or damaged products returned to us during incoming shipment. For your protection, always carefully package the product for shipment and insure it with the carrier. C.O.D shipments cannot be accepted.
- 4. All return shipping charges must be prepaid by you.**
5. Mark the outside of your package:

MAXI-MATIC USA  
  
18401 E. ARENTH AVE.  
  
CITY OF INDUSTRY, CA 91748
6. Once your return has been received by our warehouse, Maxi-Matic USA will repair or replace the product if it is defective in material or workmanship, subject to the conditions in paragraph B.
- 7. Maxi-Matic will pay the shipping charges to ship the repaired or replacement product back to you.**